

**Amendments to the Specification**

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 19 at line 6 as follows:

~~FIG. 8 represents~~ FIGS. 8(A) – 8(E) represent tables, each showing an arrangement example of a master table;

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 19 at line 12 as follows:

~~FIG. 10 represents~~ FIGS. 10(A) and 10(B) represent tables, each showing an example of retrieval condition and output condition;

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 19 at line 23 as follows:

~~FIG. 15 is a drawing~~ FIGS. 15(A) – 15(F) are drawings to explain media for connecting related items;

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 19 at line 25 as follows:

~~FIG. 16 is~~ FIGS. 16(A) – 16(C) are to explain association in a file management software such as Explorer;

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 19 at line 27 as follows:

~~FIG. 17 is a chart~~ FIGS. 17(A) and 17(B) are charts to explain partial association in a file of various types of data;

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 20 at line 3 as follows:

~~FIG. 19 is a chart~~ FIGS. 19 are charts to explain a case where items are associated by providing a plurality of management tables;